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## Gov. Perdue Appoints Judge J. Carlton Cole Superior Court Judge

**RALEIGH** - Governor Bev Perdue today appointed District Court Judge J. Carlton "JC" Cole to the Superior Court for the First Judicial District which covers Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Pasquotank and Perquimans counties. Cole will finish the unexpired term of Judge J. Richard Parker who will retire September 30, 2009.

"Judge Cole is a person of the highest integrity, highly disciplined, and a gifted individual," Perdue said. "His years of experience on the District Court bench have prepared him well for the Superior Court."

Judge Cole was appointed to the District Court Bench in 1994. Prior to that he was a private attorney in Hertford, North Carolina and was a licensed private investigator and U.S. Postal Inspector. As a District Court judge, he earned a reputation as a specialist in juvenile justice matters. He is active in his community. Cole also serves on the Governor's Crime Commission.

Cole attended undergraduate school at Livingston College. He also received a master's degree in Criminal Justice and received his law degree from North Carolina Central University School of Law.